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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. The Japanese documents were cited in a Japanese Office Action in a counterpart Japanese Application issued August 23, 2005.

The concise explanation of the relevance of the Japanese documents is found in the English

Abstracts attached thereto and the attached English translation of the Japanese Office Action thereof. A copy of each of the listed foreign documents is attached.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

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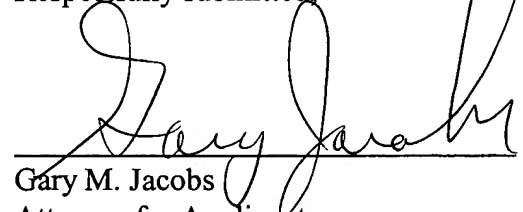
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
<b>JP 06-186793 A</b>	<b>07/08/1994</b>	<b>JAPAN</b>			<b>Abstract</b>
<b>JP 10-240100 A</b>	<b>09/11/1998</b>	<b>JAPAN</b>			<b>Abstract</b>

## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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